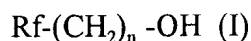


CLEAN VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

1. (Four Times Amended) A dewetting composition, consisting essentially of a solution of at least one surface-active agent in a mixture of at least one fluorinated solvent and of at least one water-immiscible polyfluorinated alcohol of formula:



in which n is equal to 1 or 2 and Rf represents a linear or branched perfluoroalkyl radical containing from 4 to 8 carbon atoms,

wherein said composition does not exhibit a flash point under standard determination conditions (ASTM standard D 3828) and has physical characteristics similar to those of CFC 113 and HCFC 141b.

2. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition contains at least one alcohol of formula (I) in which n is equal to 2.

3. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the alcohol of formula (I) is tridecafluorooctanol ($\text{C}_6\text{F}_{13}\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$).

4. (Three Times Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorinated solvent has a normal boiling point of between 20 and 100°C.

5. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 4, wherein the fluorinated solvent is a saturated or unsaturated fluorinated hydrocarbon containing from 3 to 6 carbon atoms.

6. (Three Times Amended) The composition according to Claim 5, wherein the fluorinated hydrocarbon is selected from 1,1,1,3,3-pentafluorobutane, 1,1,1,2,2,4,4-heptafluorobutane, 1,1,1,2,3,4,4,5,5,5-decafluoropentane, 1,1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4-nonafluorohexane, 1H-perfluorohexane, n-perfluorohexane, (perfluorobutyl) ethylene and perfluoro (methylmorpholine).

7. (Three Times Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the surface-active agent is a cationic surface-active agent obtained by reaction of a mono- or dialkyl phosphoric acid of formula:



in which p is a number ranging from 1 to 2 and R denotes a linear or branched alkyl radical containing from 1 to 18 carbon atoms, with a quaternary ammonium chloride of formula:



in which R' and R'', which are identical or different, each represent a hydrogen atom or an alkyl or hydroxyalkyl radical containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms, and a fluorinated amine of formula:



in which R_f represents a linear perfluoroalkyl radical containing from 2 to 20 carbon atoms, X represents a divalent bridge and the symbols R^1 and R^2 , which are identical or different, each represent a hydrogen atom or an alkyl or hydroxyalkyl radical containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms.

8. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 7, wherein R is a butyl, hexyl, 2-ethylhexyl, octyl or tridecyl radical, R' is a dodecyl or actadecyl radical, R" is a methyl radical, X is a $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SO}_2\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{CONHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ bridge and R¹ and R² are methyl radicals.

9. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the content of polyfluorinated alcohol(s) is between 0.1 and 30% by weight.

10. (Twice Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein the content of surface-active agent(s) is between 0.01 and 0.5% by weight.

11. (Three Times Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said composition is in the form of a concentrate containing up to 30% by weight of surface-active agent(s).

12. (Twice Amended) The method for dewetting of solid surfaces comprising treating a solid surface with the composition of claim 1.

13. (Three Times Amended) The composition according to Claim 4, wherein the boiling point of the fluorinated solvent is between 30 and 75°C.

14. (Amended) The composition according to Claim 9, wherein the content of polyfluorinated alcohol(s) is between 0.5 and 5%.

15. (Amended) The composition according to Claim 10, wherein the content of a surface-active agent(s) is between 0.04 and 0.2%.